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Claims 1-9 are pending in the subject application and allowed. This amendment is being provided to list dependent claims arising from the allowed claims and raises no new issues, requires no new consideration, and does not affect the scope of the allowed claims. Accordingly a recommendation to enter these claims, and entry of these claims, is respectfully requested. The undersigned avers that no new matter is introduced by this amendment.

The undersigned wishes to thank the Examiner for the telephonic interview of today's date where the restriction requirement and requirement for an election of species of March 14, 2001 were discussed. The undersigned further understands, based upon the interview, that the search was extended to those species listed in the claims and that all were found allowable. The Examiner's time in discussing this matter with the undersigned and her attempts to obtain the file from Allowance Branch are greatly appreciated.

In view of the foregoing remarks and amendments to the claims, Applicants believe that the currently pending claims remain in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 as required by this paper to Deposit Account 19-0065.

Applicants invite the Examiner to call the undersigned if clarification is needed on any of this response, or if the Examiner believes a telephonic interview would expedite the prosecution of the subject application to completion.

Respectfully submitted,



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